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My name is Kevin Brace and I am the Chairperson of the Correctional Staff Health and Safety Sub-Committee. I am a Correctional Officer at Northern Correctional with over 15 years of service.

I am here today to testify about Raised Bill No. 423

AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE
CONNECTICUT TOWN CLERKS CONCERNING
DISCLOSURE AND ELECTIONS LAWS.

As you heard in last weeks testimony about HB-5404 our State's Correctional Staff are very worried about inmates obtaining our home addresses through Freedom of Information. The danger to Correctional Staff and their families is real.

I am here strongly urging changes to this bill before you vote this bill out of Committee. This bill does not protect Correctional Staff from the disclosure of addresses on:

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to Department of Motor Vehicles records described in section 14-10, or to any municipal clerk or registrar of vital statistics who discloses any of the following documents that may contain the residential address of a person described in subsection (a) of this section:

(1) Land records, maps and surveys;

(2) Trade names certificates;

(3) Dog licenses;

(4) Vital records;

(5) Lists of appointed and elected officials;

(6) Meeting minutes;

(7) Petitions; and

(8) Registry and enrollment lists of voters.